

Course Overview

This course deals with the discussion of how to write an essay in English and it is completed with the writing exercises to practice writing. It is designed to give you the opportunity to learn the theory of essay writing and improve essay writing skills in English through practicing. To improve writing competence, you need to learn topics discussed in this course which include elements of paragraph, elements of essay and other types of essays such as narrative, description, exposition (using the example and illustration, comparison and contrast, classification, process analysis, cause and effect, definition), and argumentation. You also need to learn models of essays, practice writing, do all writing exercises, make an writing outline, and write essays based on the outline that has been made. Your competency in writing essay is measured by using a form of essay tests conducted at the end of the semester.

The theoretical discussion will lead you to the theoretical essay writing. From this basis you go further to the practice writing by applying the theoretical essay writing. Based on the theoretical essay writing and by doing a lot of writing practice you will get the ability to write an essay in English. Types of essay you will learn and practice would be in the following.

1. Module 1: The Paragraph

In this module you will learn how to write a good paragraph. You will practice to write topic sentence and support sentences, write paragraph which is coherence and unity.

2. Module 2: The essay

Module 2 will teach you how to write an essay and practice writing it. You will be expected to be able to choose a topic for an essay, write a thesis statement, develop introductory paragraph based on the chosen topic, develop body paragraphs on a topic that has been selected, develop a concluding paragraph on the topic selected, create an outline for an essay, and finally write an essay based on the outline have been made.

3. Module 3: Narrative essay

After studying Module 3 students are expected to: identify characteristic narrative essay, write a series of events ever experienced., write habits by certain community groups, write a series of events ever experienced by a description using words, write habits by certain groups to use the words of

description, make outline for narrative essay based on events, write a thesis statement for the narrative essay that will be developed, develop a narrative essay which consists of introductory paragraph, body paragraphs, and concluding paragraph

4. Module 4: Descriptive writing

In this module you will practice how to create an outline to describe a place, create a thesis statement, develop an essay in the form of descriptions of places based on the outline which consists of introductory paragraph, body paragraphs, and concluding paragraph.

5. Module 5: The Expository Essay

In this module you will learn to develop an essay in the form of exposition; create an outline for developing an essay in the form of exposition, write a thesis statement based on the topic and outline. Develop the introductory paragraph, develop a body paragraph, and develop a concluding paragraph.

6. Module 6: The Example and Illustration Essay

In this module you will learn theoretical exposition by using the example and illustration. You will practice to create an outline for writing example/illustration essay on topic chosen, create a thesis statement to develop the example and illustration essays, develop introductory paragraph for example/illustration essay, develop the first body paragraph for example, developing a second body paragraph for example, develop the concluding paragraph of the example/illustration essay, compile example/illustration essay fully and coherently using appropriate transitional words.

7. Module 7: The Comparison and Contrast Essay

In Module 7 you will learn how to develop a comparison and contrast essay, and you will practice to create an outline, develop a thesis statement, write the introductory paragraph based on the outline that have been made, write a paragraph based on the block method body, write a body paragraph by point by point method.

8. Module 8: The Classification Essay

In this module you will learn how to write classification essay. You will practice to choose a topic or object that can be classified according to the characteristics of the object, create a diagram in accordance with the selected topic, create a thesis statement for the classification essay, develop the introductory paragraph, a body paragraph and a concluding paragraph. In writing classification essay you have to compile by using the appropriate signal words.

9. Module 9: The Process Analysis Essay

In this module you will learn how to write process analysis essay. You will practice to choose an activity carried out in accordance with the sequential steps, such as making a layer cake, or teach a topic, write down the steps or sequence of activities to do in chronological order, improve the measures that have been made, select topics for process analysis essay, create an outline based on the selected topic, finally you write essay process analysis based on the outline that has been made using the appropriate signal words.

10. Module 10: The Cause and Effect Essay

In Module 10 you will learn how to write the cause and effect essay. You are expected to distinguish cause with effect, choose relevant topics to be developed into cause and effect essay, create a diagram / outline for the single cause-multiple effects of the chosen topic, create a diagram / outline for causes multiple-single effect of the chosen topic, create a diagram / outline for the causal chain.

11. Module 11: The Definition Essay

After studying the Module 11 you are expected to choose an appropriate topic for the essay exposition by using the definition; create an outline based on the chosen topic; create a thesis statement based on the chosen topic.

12. Module 12: The Argumentative Essay

In this module, you will learn how to write argumentative essay. You will practice to choose a controversial issue; determine the position of: controversy or disagree; create an outline for argumentative essay; write a thesis statement based on a predetermined position of the selected issue. The argumentative essay set by using the appropriate signal words, as well as a coherent whole.

Competence Map
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